UNFUNDED MANDATES/Mandates re Age and Color Discrimination

SUBJECT: Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995 . . . S. 1. Levin modified amendment No. 170.

ACTION: AMENDMENT AGREED TO, 96-0

SYNOPSIS: Pertinent votes on this legislation include Nos. 15-29, 31-41, 43-45, and 47-61.

As reported by the Governmental Affairs Committee and the Budget Committee, S. 1, the Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995, will create 2 majority (51-vote) points of order in the Senate. The first will lie against the consideration of a bill or joint resolution reported by an authorizing committee if it contains mandates and if Congressional Budget Office (CBO) cost estimates on those mandates are unavailable. The second point of order will lie against the consideration of a bill, joint resolution, motion, amendment, or conference report that will cause the total cost of unfunded intergovernmental mandates in the legislation to exceed \$50 million.

The Levin modified amendment would exempt from the requirements of this Act those Federal mandates that address age or color discrimination.

NOTE: By unanimous consent, the committee amendment beginning on page 25, line 11, as modified, and the Gorton perfecting amendment, as amended, to the language proposed to be stricken by the committee amendment, were temporarily laid aside for the consideration of the Levin modified amendment.

Those favoring the amendment contended:

As reported, the bill already provides exemptions for mandates to prevent discrimination on the basis of race, religion, gender, national origin, or handicapped or disability status. "Age" and "color" discrimination were excluded from this list inadvertently. We are pleased to vote to include them. States should work to end this type of discrimination, whether funding is provided or not.

No arguments were expressed in opposition to the amendment.

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